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Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me this ist day of April, A. D. 1901. M. B. HUNGATE.

Keep Omaha clean. The only way to keep Omaha clean is to enforce the ordinances for health and cleanliness.

It looks as if the next tug-of-war between the local democrats would come over the question of fusion and antifusion.

If there are any railroads in the out and take the prize.

Admiral Schley is making preparations to retire from the navy. It is hoped he will retire the Sampson-Schley controversy at the same time.

Omaha is promised several new and modern store buildings to meet the demand of its growing retail trade. These effect upon the trend of business traffic. Omaha is on the move.

One of our contemporaries boastingly It would seem that the Cubans should advertises that it has in its employ a by this time fully understand the views pressman who was formerly "colored of the administration and ought to be specialist" on an eastern paper. Per- able to make up their minds definitely haps that explains the highly colored as to whether the Platt amendment sensationalism that taints its columns.

The letter-carriers throughout the country are to have permission to wear a loose-fitting blouse instead of a coat during the summer months. We will wait and see, however, whether the letter-carriers will be able to set the

The State Board of Public Lands and Buildings is overwhelmed with offers of Academy of Political and Social Scisites for the state fair down at Lincoln. ence. He said: "That the relations With all this competition the taxpayers ought to have a surplus turned back States and the new government of Cuba from the appropriation made by the late | must be closer than those between us legislature.

so that if his word is good he can be world that may be wafted this way from the other side of the ocean.

Nothing would suit the popocratic organs better than to stir up a controversy between the two new republican senators over the question of the policy to be pursued in the regeneration of the party. The popocrats, however, are more likely to be sadly disappointed.

committee is said to be taking a poll the stability of the government. To on the question of calling a conference require less than this would be an of party leaders to discuss the future of the party. Before discussing the duty." future the first requirement will be an inventory to ascertain what is left of it.

No matter what verdicts may be brought in murder trials, Omaha has seen its last hanging, as under the new law the executions will take place at the state penitentiary, depriving the murderer of the glamour of the admiring crowd of friends to witness his shuffling off. It may possibly have a depressing effect on the homicidal tendency.

Cuba's population is reported to be growing perceptibly, not only by natural increase, but by immigration. While the Spaniards were in control the population movement was on the decrease side of the ledger. With the United States guarding its welfare the island is sure to make rapid strides both in population and wealth expansion.

The Nebraska Independent denounces the act to compromise the Bartley bond as "the most disgraceful thing that was it because it was first recommended by an eminent populist, Governor Poynter, in a special message to the legislature of 1899.

The popocrats are free with advice about the republicans who should have recognition in the distribution of federal that Secretary Hay is very sanguine of patronage, just as they were a little success, but the president is hopeful. while ago as to republicans who had Mr. McKinley's notion, it is stated, is claims upon the legislature in the sen- that the senate, even as constituted last atorial contest. The new senators will, doubtless, pay as much attention to their what more favorable attitude toward in the Vislature.

A MOVE IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION. stead of as heretofore in the county the British government objected.

will hardly meet with a single dissent. sary relation to meting out the punishnounced. If the severest penalty known to surround the execution with such safeguards and such a degree of privsemi-public hangings.

When it comes to the question of expense entailed upon the taxpayers the but tend in the direction of economy. A legal execution, as carried out in Nebraska up to this time, with all the special preparations, has been an expensive luxury. With all executions performed at the same place and by apparatus and machinery should be from a higher law than that on the avoided and the fee bills materially reduced.

If the new law works as well in Neother states, no one, after it has been living in Nebraska. given full and fair trial, will want to is decidedly a move in the right direction.

WILL SEND A COMMISSION.

It is now understood that notwithstanding the action of the Cuban constitutional convention in regard to the sent to Washington to confer with the president respecting the American conditions. It is not proposed that this commission shall definitely settle anything as to the future relations between Cuba and the United States, but having obtained the views of President McKinley will report to the constitutional convention. It appears that there is a difference of opinion among the country that are not contemplating a delegates to the convention as to the change of masters they should speak significance of the resolution passed a few days ago declaring opposition to the terms submitted by the United law, who is to define its scope might have been made. States, the conservatives holding that it was a practical rejection of the terms. icals on record in the convention was unsuccessful and it was finally decided that the convention should not express improvements are sure to have a marked itself for or against the amendment, and should send a commission to Washington to reach the best possible agree ment with the president.

shall be accepted or rejected. They must know that the president has no authority to modify the terms of that amendment to the slightest extent and furthermore that he believes them to be wise, proper and necessary. The position of this government was very clearly stated by Senator Platt of Connecticut, in his address Saturday before the convention of the American which are to exist between the United and any other foreign country will be apparent to the dullest comprehension. J. Pierpont Morgan insists that he So long as any doubt exists of the abilhas gone to Europe simply for a rest, ity of Cuba to stand alone, the United States must be ready to support her. counted out of the many schemes for We must protect her against any interconsolidating the industries of the nal dissensions which may threaten the overthrow of the republican government. In thus standing ready and insisting upon our right to protect Cuba we do not at all contemplate the establishment of a protectorate in any sense in which that term has been used in international law. Our relations with Cuba will be unique. We may best express them by saying that we claim the right to be recognized as the guar-The chairman of the populist state antor of Cuban independence and of abandonment of both self-interest and

> It is unfortunate that there are Cubans who are unable to see in this attitude of the United States a desire and purpose to conserve the independence of Cuba, assure stable government there and promote the welfare and prosfact, and this element exerts the greater not hesitate to stir up a revolt in Cuba the advices received there from Cuba intimate that unless something occurs soon to affect the situation favorably an outbreak of violence is likely to be

provoked.

THE NEW CANAL TREATY. There seems to be good reason for believing, say some of the Washington correspondents, that another treaty between Great Britain and the United States in regard to an interoceanic caever placed on a statute book." We nal, is under consideration and likely are inclined to agree with this and to to be in shape for presentation to the add that we do not think a bit better of senate at its session next winter. It is stated that Secretary Hay has been gers, would strike a responsive chord. getting the views of senators on the subject, but of course nothing has been made public as to the nature of the

The correspondent of the New York Evening Post says it is not believed winter, would probably take a somepopocratic friends as did the republicans the Hay-Pauncefote treaty if it had its for the indemnities, whose aggregate, as

opinions obtained from senators.

it is possible that the senate of the to have been figured out on the same prin-The first hanging under the new law Fifty-seventh congress would be better ciples that underlie a suit for damages providing that all such executions shall disposed toward a new treaty which against a railroad company in the United take place at the state penitentiary, in- avoided some of the conditions to which

where the murder was committed, is it is obvious that to frame a treaty already in prospect. That the change that will be acceptable to the senate is sure to work to the public interest and to Great Britain will be a task him unfriendly for spoiling the mule marof great difficulty, but it is one that ket. Whatever reasons may exist for hold-should be undertaken. The reply of ing the trial of every person accused the British government left a way open of crime near the place where the for further negotiations, to be initiated offense was committed have no neces- by the United States and while the promise that a satisfactory new treaty ment when a verdict of guilty is re- can be negotiated, it is manifestly inturned and the death sentence pro- cumbent upon our government to make the effort. In the event of another to the law is to be paid, it is only con- failure, it can then be determined what forming to the demands of humanity shall be done to remove the obstacle to the construction and control by the United States of an isthmian canal that acy as will shut off the deleterious is presented by the Clayton-Bulwer effects too often produced by public or treaty. To declare that treaty abrogated without making another attempt to negotiate a new convention, would, provide his cars with safety appliances, as in our judgment, be a mistake that required by law, has made himself liable operation of the new law cannot help might have very troublesome conse quences.

THE HIGHER LAW FICTION. And now we are told that the right of every man, woman and child to haul garbage away from his premises and to the same officers, the duplication of the dump it wherever it may suit him comes statute books. We are also told the violation of this right takes away the equality before the law guaranteed by braska as has similar legislation in the higher law to every human being

This sounds very plausible, but its apgo back to the old system under any plication would destroy all government considerations whatever. As a step in and lead to anarchy. If the higher law an audience on the ground that he was "a reform, on the turn of the century, this gives a man the right to dump garbage German-American," will be commended by where he pleases, the higher law will the alley and to do his own street sprinkling, to pave the street in front of his own lot, to build his own part of the things which he is prohibited from doing Platt amendment, a commission will be under police regulations or ordinances relating to the public highways and

If equality before the law means that protection of communities or for the convenience and comfort of the public in charters or for officers to enforce the provisions of the charter and ordinances or limit its application? Are courts justice to be governed by while the radicals assert that such was statutes or are they at liberty to disreare obeying a higher law? Does not the whole structure of government rest upon the principle that the rights of indiquirements of the public welfare?

The attempt to inject the higher law doctrine into the garbage-hauling controversy only shows how easily it is to work upon the emotional and sentimental side of people who allow themselves to be imposed on by designing price of liberty, and eternal laundry liberation of the two colored men passed price of this latest emancipation. "little boys trying to earn an honest living" was not the main object. What they sought to accomplish was to get even with parties who last fall had refused to be held up for contribu-

tions to the fusion campaign fund. Whether a monopoly of hauling garbage is right or wrong, the fact remains hat the courts had several times upheld the contract and the city authorities could recognize no law higher than that of the district and supreme courts of the state. As far as The Bee is concerned it makes no defense for the contract nor the contractor. Its opposition to the contract was made when it was in order to make it-at the time it was before the mayor and council. If it is a clared, the ordinances providing for its Sandy!" enforcement are also legal and binding upon all citizens, regardless of different versions of the higher law.

According to the official organ of the Nebraska populists, the democrats won in the recent spring municipal elections about Cuba? only where they had embraced populist doctrine and made their issue on it. The populists claim a copyright on platforms declaring for public ownership of the various utilities of service and accuse the democrats of plagiarism wherever they have taken it up. If that is all the consolation the populists tempts at demo-pop combination, the democrats will doubtless gladly concede it to them.

According to announcements, Nebraska's new Pan-American exposition commissioner is expected to be in charge perity of the people, but such is the of one of the important departments in the coming state fair. It is certain that influence. It is bitterly hostile to the he cannot possibly attend to the duties United States and it is thought would of both positions and do them both justice. Nebraska wants to be credagainst the American occupation. A itably represented in its exhibit at Buf-Washington dispatch says that some of falo and the commissioner should not only take time by the forelock, but devote all his time and attention to the important work.

Judge Estelle may be able to keep the boys out of the court room where salacious divorce suit testimony is being given, but he cannot keep them from reading the sensational accounts of the proceedings in the local yellow journals. The duty of the court to protect the boys extends also to the women and children at home. A court order excluding the audience altogether, and particularly the yellow journal filth mon

From Lion Jaws to Tiger Claws.

New York World. A Paris paper reports Mr. Kruger as com ing to this country to be the guest of Tammany Hall. To escape from the British lion only to fall into the hands of the American tiger would be a sad fate for the heroic Oom Paul.

Now for the Unufruet.

Japan's satisfaction over the present Rus. sian attitude in Manchuria is to be taken in a diplomatic sense. Diplomatically work to do over. This is doubtful, but claimed, is \$500,000,000, and which seemed views.

Spoiling the Mule Market.

Philadelphia Ledger. John Bull wants no more American mules-and now his critics will consider

New York World. With Aguinaldo buying diamonds and Uncle Sam purchasing gold bricks in the Philippines things are looking prosperous

The Flying Dutchman.

Detroit Journal. We should say that it is going to take more readily mobilized type of the inevitable than any the British have yet chosen to be got within bowing distance of Dewet.

Perils of the Street Car Man.

Detroit Free Press. One of the responsible managers of the Detroit street railways, by neglecting to to imprisonment for 3,039 years. His lawyers, however, assure him that even if such a sentence is imposed it will never be carried out.

Great Boules Move Slowly.

Boston Transcript The supreme court's long delay in pass reminder that great bodies move slowly especially when ticklish questions are up. It is not likely, as some impatient and irreverent critics have suggested, that the court have gone to sleep over the Porto Rico and Philippine cases.

Kaiser and German-Americans.

St. Paul Pioneer Press. The action of Emperor William in refusing to see an individual who begged for also allow him to empty slop buckets in Americans, I know Germans, but Germans a confession that is true of nearly every Americans I know not," was the emperor's exclamation. For a divided loyalty or a divided citizenship he had no use. Except public sewer and do a thousand other as defining nativity or ancestry the hyphenated term is one the use of which it were better to abandon.

Those Cooked Up U. P. Deals. Grand Island Independent.

The Omaha Bee has quite a story about some alleged crooked transaction in the every man has a right to do what he land department of the Union Pacific. It pleases wherever he may live, there is alleges that a representative of the paper no need of enacting any law for the has called the attention of President Burt to the affair and he refused to explain or even look into the matter. From the report in the Bee, in which names, times general. If cities are to be governed by and places are mentioned, and from which higher law, what use is there for city it would appear that the public is somewhat interested, owing to the assertion that the transactions referred to prevent a permanent settlement of the lands, the enacted under it? If we have a higher arst conclusion is that some explanation

Plea for the Shirtwaist. New York Mail and Express.

We are to have the shirtwalsta because not the case. An effort to put the rad- gard statutes under the plea that they they are cool, and sensible, and sightly. It argues no superfority of culture to overdres in warm weather; we believe that of all people the citizens of the "Black Republic" of Hayti adhere most rigidly to the frock viduals are made subordinate to the re- coat for formal summer wear. But the probable triumph of the shirtwaist is not to be understood as the triumph of untidiness Society should frown, and will frown, on the effort of the serviceable garment designed for the ball field, the tennis court or the backwoods to domicile itself on the hotel or cottage plazza. Eternal vigilance is the bills politicians. With these mountebanks the and douceurs to the frillmakers will be the

Frenk Names for Race Horses.

The perverse ingenuity exhibited by some owners of race horses in selecting grotesque, uncouth and disagreeable names for their thoroughbred colts and fillies almost takes one's breath away at times. "Skin Me" and "Wait a Minute" are running on western tracks, and what is to be said of the good taste of the man who would afflict an innocent and harmless animal with such a name as "Sad Sam!" But the climax of offensive nomenclature appears to have been reached by the unscrupulous person who was guilty of the choice of "Syncopated Sandy" as a burden for a runner of excellent lineage to carry through life. Every thoroughbred racer has a pedigree which can be traced for a century or more. Think of an ancestry of blue blood which finally descends to the contract in law, as the courts have de- horror of such a botch as "Syncopated

CONGRESSMEN ON CUBA. Protest Against the Buncombe of

even-Day Visitors. Are we not in danger of a slight surfeit of congressional information and view

The country had a deal of the same sort

before the Spanish war. It was the means of drawing us into that enterprise and of launching us upon the sea of troubles whereon we are now drifting, with no sails to speak of, rudder gone, compass magnetized and chronometer out of order. If the kind of information that is being

furnished by congressmen now had been furnished then, there would have been no insist on having out of their late at- war, and if the kind we had then were furn heed now, there would not be ahead of us the prospect of more trouble. If the truth is told by congressmen now, the congressmen then did not tell the truth. Congress adjourned on March 4. In that

brief time parties of congressmen have visited Porto Rico and Cuba and have returned wise in knowledge of the whole situation

One of them says he doubts the safety of capital in Cuba, and he finds the best people o not want independence, and that those who do are not the best people and are merely looking for office. Another says the people are not fit nor ready for self-govern-

Another distinguished senator returns and hastens to say that it is only a matter of time when the island will be annexed and that the present constitutional convention is not a representative body. The best people want annexation, as do a vast majority of the American people. A democratic newspaper, which plays

Jekyll and Hyde with the administration, admits that these congressional views are in notable centrast to the congressions views of three years ago. The official pil grims then saw through their emotions and found heroes, warriors and patriots. the present "enlightened and honorable members" find the "respectable classes" desirous of annexation and opposed to independence, while the rest of the people are a lot of riffraff, who have none of the culture and respectability of the island

Turning to the congressonal reports and speeches of three years ago, we find that the "wealth and culture." the best and most respectable people of Cuba, were therein denounced as sordid suporters of Spain, while the rest of the people, now denounced as predatory riffraff, were gasping on the point of a spear and dying for liberty. who survived are now denounced as being for independence merely to get an office, American politician.

In behalf of our own countrymen and the national honor, we protest against this new installment of official information and

SENATORIAL CONTEST AFTERMATH.

Pender Republic (rep.): Senator Millard is not known over the state as a politician, but he is known as one of the safest and soundest of the state's business men. As this is an age of business it is emiand then do it. nently fitting that a business man should be chosen as senator from Nebraska.

Ewing Advocate (pop.); That republican who flatters himself that Rosewater was laid on the shelf at the recent election s doomed to a violent disappointment. Rosewater has got a firmer grip on Nebraska republicans than he ever had. His defeat bears all the earmarks of victory. Rosewater is not beefing.

Neligh Leader (rep.); Whatever may have been the desire of individuals upon the senatorial question, the republican party of the state and nation is under lasting obligations to Edward Rosewater and D. E. Thompson. Had they proved as obstinate as their opponents Nebraska would be without representation in the United States senate.

Plainview Republican: The World-Herald people and a few republicans of the mugwump order seem to be worrying a great deal about what Rosewater will do since he missed a seat in the United States senate. We presume he will still do business at the old stand, exposing fusion fakes and weeding out corruption in his own Those who think the republicans can march to victory in this state without the aid of The Bee are badly mistaken.

Hooker County Tribune (rep.): senatorial fight has ended in such a manner that it puts an end to the war be tween the factions of the republican party which is a most happy outcome. The strated one thing-that the people of the state will not tamely submit to having an objectionable candidate rammed down their throats. It is to the glory of the state that a dozen members held out to the last, that they were supported by popular sentiment and that victory finally crowned their efforts.

Rushville Recorder: Rosewater, in withnewspaper man, that they have to tread on too many people's toes to stand any show in the political heaven. Yet, what would the country be without these newspapers. not only those who have reached the pinnacle of success in the ranks of journalism, but those who still continue to plod along as outposts, fighting for principles over a scattered country, representations of a mighty army, yet often starved to

death as a reward for their services. Lynch Journal (rep.): C. H. Dietrich and J. H. Millard, our new senators, are two of the leading business men of state. Mr. Dietrich has, in the short time he has occupied the gubernatorial chair, proven himself a man of keen judgment and common sense and one that is not afraid to do what he thinks is his duty regardless of its effect on his standing Mr. Millard has long been recognized as one of Omaha's foremost business men and his opinion and advice has been sough and respected by many for years. two men will be heard from we sincerely believe in the senate of the United States and the state will be proud of them.

Tilden Citizen (rep.): It would be difficult to imagine any one event better calculated to solidify the republican party in the state than the withdrawal of all the senatorial candidates from the race and the unanimous choice of the two men who son and Rosewater were the only men who held sufficient strength to prevent the election and their course, at least is worthy of commendation, although it can scarcely be called magnaninimous. Either one of them might have played dog-in-the manger to the end of the legislative chapter and that they refrained from doing it of the state than any sentimental relenting in the long fight in which they labored so zealously for supremacy.

Arlington Herald (rep.): Since the close of the legislature the press has thrown a good many fragrant bouquets in the direct tion of the late candidates for United States senator, and the Herald believes that they deserve all the nice things said Edward Rosewater and D. Thompson especially have come in for a generous amount of praise, they having generally been held responsible for the deadlock. For them to step out of the way and release their loyal following in the interests of party harmony was so generally unexpected and was withal such a happy termination of the deadlock threatened bitter enmities vanished in thin air in the twinkling of an eye. It is the opinion of the Herald that nothing will be too good for these gentlemen at the hands of the republican party in the future

WHEN DOCTORS DISAGREE.

Beatrice Democrat: Governor Dietrich says that if he was going to remain in the executive chair he would call the legislature in executive session. Let us thankful that Governor Dietrich is not to remain in the executive chair and cherish the hope that his successor will entertain no such foolish notion.

Stanton Pickett (rep.): Governor Dietrich says that were he to remain in the executive chair he would convene egislature in extra session for the purpose of passing much needed constitutional amendments and redistricting the state. Public need demands that Governor Savage take the same view of the situa-The unfinished work should be tion. finished.

PERSONAL NOTES.

The \$100,000 tip left to a Pullman car porter by will puts living travelers at greater disadvantage than ever. Linn H. Young is a notability of Chicago's new city council. He is 6 feet

inches tall and built proportionately. Sir Arthur Power Palmer, K. C. B., the new commander-in-chief in India, is giant Briton, six feet four inches high. Isben is now almost completely recovered from the attack of influenza which so alarmed his friends. He has just celebrated his seventy-fourth birthday and says in an interview that he hopes to live to see his

be the guest of a non-partisan committee of twenty-one citizens of that place, just selected. The list includes United States Senators Teller and Patterson, ex-Senator and Congressmen Bell and Shaforth. General Jacob D. Cox of Ohio, who died

President McKinley while in Denver wil

about a year ago, had completed, just before his death, a book which he called "Military Reminiscences of the War." the author was a lawyer and man of good ability the book is expected to be of considerable historical value. Christian Scientists of New York solemniy

assert that supernatural power fashioned the inscription on the cornerstone of the Second church, dedicated last Sunday Prayer is reputed to have moved mountains, but this is the first modern instance of having done a neat job of stone carving. Liquor dealers in Abingdon, Mass., by way of a joke, nominated Rev. W. H. Wyman for constable, but they have about come to the conclusion that the joke is on them instead of the reverend gentleman. They thought that the proffer of such an honor would anger Mr. Wyman, but he enlisted the aid of local church people, was triumphantly elected and now declares that the Sunday and midnight closing ordinances must be rigidly observed.

COMING GOVERNOR OF NEBRASKA

North Platte Tribune: Ezra Savage, who will become governor of Nebraska, may not be a great statesman, but he is hopest and courageous, and cannot be led astray from the path of duty. He will learn his duty

Aurora Republican: Colonel E. Savage the Custer county statesman, will preside over the destinies of Nebraska as governor after May 1. What we know of Mr. Savage warrants us in saying that his administra tion will be an able one.

Fairbury Enterprise: The report there was "feeling" between Governor Dietrich and Governor-to-Be-Savage seems to have been rather premature. The former states that he has nothing but the highest regard and warmest feeling for Mr. Savage. Of course our friends, the enemy, will try their utmost to estrange the gentlemen, but their efforts in this direction will fail.

Tilden Citizen: The fusion press evidently anticipated a little unpleasantness at Lin coin concerning the governorship. Early reports represented Governor Dietrich a declining to vacate that office until fall and Lieutenant Covernor Savage as ready to resign from chagrin at being kept out of the gubernatorial chair for a similar length of time. Senator Dietrich has, however, settled the matter by declaring his intention to resign in favor of Mr. Savage as early as is consistent with the duties which de mand peremptory attention at his hands. and the fusionists are once more deprived of some campaign thunder.

Rushville Recorder: In the glamour surrounding the administration and work of Governor Dietrich it is well for us not to overlook the already conspicuous work and character of Lieutenant Governor Savage The new governor has already shown he is a man of resource, good judgment and prompt to act, and those who have had the pleasure of meeting him say he is an uncommonly good and able man. His action during the temporary absence at Washington of Governor Dietrich ably demonstrated the truth of this, so the state can in all truth be congratulated on still having a good man at the helm.

POOTING UP THE COST.

Losses of Blood and Treasurer Entailed by the Philippine Law. The dawn of peace in the Philippines, risible to those on the ground, justifies a computation of the cost of our venture into he Orient. Semi-official estimates have been given out as a prelude to the closing of the war side of the ledger, and to these are added estimates of what it cost the The latter, in part, are guesswork, but they will serve as a basis for

comparison. Estimates show that the insurrection of he natives cost the United States \$202. 583,000 in money, 908 in officers and men killed and died of wounds and 2,120 in officers and men dead from disease. The lesses of our troops in the Philippines from August 6, 1898, to April 1, 1901, were as fol-

Total deaths Grand total 6.147

The Washington correspondent of the Record-Herald says the estimates made by reasury accountants show that the cost of the army and navy since the breaking out of the Philippine insurrection, February 4, 1899, has been about \$246,550,000 more han it would have been had the same rate of expenditure been maintained that prevailed before the war with Spain.

Much of this additional expenditure would have been entailed, however, had the United States abandoned the Philippines. This is particularly true of the increased naval expenditure, most of which has been for new construction and other improvements not in any way connected with the insurrection in the island.

Most of the increased cost of the army has been necessitated by the operations in the Philippines, but part of it is chargeable to the military occupation of Cuba and Porto Rico and to the campaign in China. and part of it must be charged to increased expenditure for fortifications in the United States and to the increased strength of the artillery, with which the war in the Philippines had nothing to do.

Deducting \$73,000,000 from the increased expenditures on account of the army and navy for these reasons, leaves a net increase of expenditures under these heads on account of the Philippines of \$172,550,000 To this amount must be added \$20,000,000 paid to Spain under the treaty of Paris and \$100,000 paid for the islands of Cagayan and Sibutu; interest on the war loan since June 30 1899, \$8 422,000, and the cost of the various Philippine commissions and other miscellaneous expenditures estimated \$500,000. This brings the total cost of the slands to date up to \$202,583,000.

The rebellion was a costly experience for the natives. The War department puts the Filipino losses at 50,000, 7,667 rifles have been captured or surrendered and 605,142 rounds of ammunition have been seized. No estimate is made of the losses sustained by the country at large, the wreck of towns and country homes, the destruction or disappearance of personal property and the partial suspension of farming and business inseparable from war. For the twenty-seven months ending November 30 last the total number of Filipinos captured or surrend ered was 13,468 officers and men and the number of rifles turned in 4.933. Since November 30 last 6,600 officers and men have been captured or surrendered and 2,734 rifles have been delivered to or captured by American troops. The number of surrenders in the latter period have far exceeded those of any similar period to November 30 last

OPENING TERRITORY BY LOT.

Measures Adopted to Prevent Rushing Baltimore American.

The disgraceful scenes attendant upon the throwing open of Indian reservations are not to be repeated in the case of the Kiowa, Comanche, Apache and Wichita reservations, in Oklahoma territory. These tracts, comprising 14,000 homesteads, or 2,240,000 acres, will be opened about Augat 1. Binger Herrman, commissioner o the Land Office, is determined that the old plan of parmitting prospective settlers to camp along the border lines, and then, at a given signal, to rush in pelimell, shall not prevail on this occasion. As Secretary Hitchcock agrees with the commissioner the old-time "rustlers' rush," with its dis order, indignities, consequent litigation and other attendant evils is likely to be a thing of the past. This is as it should be especially as other and more satisfactory plans are available for adoption. By these other plans all of the confusion, all of the disgrace and much of the disappointment of opening new territory may be easily

public land laws of the United States do not recognize any lottery schemes in connection with the allotment of public ands. Nevertheless, the system of deciding mooted questions by lot is generally in vogue in this country. All our juries are drawn in this manner, and its eminent wisdom and fairness are not disputed. The members of the house of representatives select their seats by lot, and in the parti tion of estates it is frequently employed by the courts. There is, therefore, sufficient precedent for its adoption in connection with the opening of this new territory There will probably be 50,000 applications for the 14,000 homesteads available emption. Nothing could be fairer than to require each applicant to file his preliminary papers, and then publicly hold a draw-



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ing to determine the ones to be recognized, These latter could, after assignments were made them, file the other papers necessary to perfect their titles, and on the day of the opening all others could be refused admission to the reservation. In this way there would be no danger of the courts declaring null and void the process, all disorder and litigation would be prevented, and there would not be a horde of people disappointed by being outdistanced in the "rustlers" race." The plan is feasible, and should be adonted whenever in the future new territory is to be opened for settlement.

BREEZY REMARKS.

Philadelphia Times: While on a train recently Mrs. Nation was afflicted with a sort of sea-sickness. Probably on account of the choppy motion of the cars.

Indianapolis Press: "Oh, 'Lordy," said he, "wouldn't this be an elegant aftershe, "wouldn't this be an elegant after-noon for a drive."

"Yes," said he, unabashed; "I'll bring you up a hammer and a few nails this afternoon."

Detroit Free Press: "Do you believe in push' or 'pull' as elements in success?" "Neither." "What then?"

Chicago Record-Heraid: "Mark Twain wants a statue erected to Adam." "Adam? What did Adam ever do for humanity? It was Eve who discovered the nutritive value of the apple."

Washington Star: "I guess mebbe Josh is goin' to be a great financier, an' git money by his brains," remarked Farmer Corntossel. "Does he take such an interest in com-mercial affairs?"
"No. But he's get to get a livin' some-how. An' he jes' won't work!" Pittsburg Chronicle: "What a hoarse augh he has," said Ethel, not unkindly,

laugh he has," said Etner, but discriminatively.
"Yes," added Blanche, "I wonder why he borseless laugh." Philadelphia Press: Bookkeeper-Did the boss carry out that plan of yours? Clerk-No, but I guess Mike will. Bookkeeper-Mike? Clerk-Yes, the porter. The boss threw the plan in his wastebasket.

Brooklyn Eagle: Willie Boerum (enter-taining his sister's caller)—Do you like base ba'l very much, Mr. Jamaica? Mr. Jamaica—I never played ball much.

enjoy golf— Willie Boerum (disappointedly)—Why, I neard pa tell Susan you was a great catch! Chicago Tribune: Aunt Chice, following the suggestion of an educated friend, had named the previous pickaninny Appendix, thinking there would be no more.

But another one had come.

"Dis," said Aunt Chice, "is my cullud supplement.

And she folded it in her arms.

Boston Transcript: Impatient Diner—I say, ain't you ever going to bring that ple i red he f an hour ago?

Patient Waiter—Fie is generally regarded as very unhealthful and the longer you have to wait for it the longer your life will be preserved. Really, sir, you ought to be grateful instead of impatient.

HAIR WORN DE-COL-I-TAY

James Barton Adams in Denver Post. As the years keep piling on us, yet we claim that we are young,
And the term "old man" indignantly re-We are active in our motions and are frisky with the tongue, And a lot of time before the glass in spent.
We may think the tricks of toilet make us look like youngish men.
Preparations to prevent us turning gray.
But the cat jumps from the buriap and the

We begin to wear our hair de-col-i-tay! We may win admiring glances and per-chance a friendly smile From the fair ones whose attention we would court; They may fail to note our ages as they contemplate our style.

And may think us young enough for flirt-

truth's apparent when

ing sport.
But they have no sweet enticements in their store for aged men
When the signs of age they cannot hide And they turn us down instanter with their we begin to wear our hair de-col-i-tay!

There is not the least attraction in a nude
and ghastly head,
Though 'tis polished till it shines with
brilliant sheen.
Not a smile is wasted on it, save the ones
so freely shed
O'er the footlights by the comic op'ra
queen. Tis an exhibition fruitful for the punster's pointed pen That exudes its sap of fun day after

Oh! they have no heart of mercy for the ageing fellow when He begins to wear his hair de-col-i-tay! We may hide the pale exposure underneath a flowing wig.
But the hairy fake will never, never win
for the charming ones soon tumble to the

artificial rig
And salute it with a cold, disdainful grin,
All the arts of gross deception cannot give
us youth again.
To our fate we can but bow in graceful For there's surely no escape from being ranked as "has beens" when We begin to wear our hair de-col-i-tay!

Feeling Poorly?

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